

# National Guard Has Vital Role In Our Security

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Article 1, Section 8, Powers Granted to Congress, paragraphs numbered 11 to 16, both numbers inclusive, are of present interest to the State of California and to all citizens of the United States. They are quoted below and then followed by my comments:

"War. 11. To declare war, grant letters of marque and reprisal, and make rules concerning captures on land and water;

"Army. 12. To raise and support armies, but no appropriations of money to that use shall be for a longer term than two years;

"Navy. 13. To provide and maintain a Navy;

"Military, and Navy Rules. 14. To make rules for the government and regulation of the land and naval forces;

"Militia, Calling Forth. 15. To provide for calling forth the militia to execute the laws of the Union, suppress insurrections and repel invasions;

"Militia, Organizing and Army. 16. To provide for organizing, arming, and disciplining the militia, and for governing such part of them as may be employed in the service of the United States, reserving to the states respectively, the appointment of officers, and the authority of training the militia according to the discipline prescribed by Congress."

THE ABOVE quotations from the Constitution of the United States set forth only a few of the provisions of the U. S. Constitution which relate directly or indirectly to the National Guard of any state, including California.

All during the Civil War the United States Government had trouble with some states about obtaining properly trained and equipped enlisted men and officers. Many of the officers were political appointees of no military experience, training or aptitude. Surprisingly enough many of those politically appointed officers who had no obvious qualifications when appointed became excellent combat officers and rose in rank, entirely on merit, to become generals and were a credit to the United States. Others were useless and had to be eliminated or assigned harmless jobs.

SIMILAR comments could be made about the enlisted men sent into federal service by the several states during the Civil War. As a result of these problems, which were repeated during the Spanish-American War (although to a lesser degree), there have been many court decisions, federal laws, and state laws which have resulted in the present status of the National Guard of the several states as part of the first line of defense in case of war or a national emergency requiring the National Guard to come into the federal service very quickly.

Without the National Guard,

the United States could not have won World War I, or World War II. Also, without the National Guard, the United States would have had much less success in the so-called Korean action, if you can say that the United States did have any success at all in the Korean action. However, it must be emphasized that any lack of success was not the fault of the armed forces of the United States. I shall not state who blundered in Washington. You, the readers of this column, know what happened as well as I do.

THE NATIONAL Guard of California, like the National Guard of all the 50 states of the Union, is now being reorganized to conform to the new organization of the regular Army so that when called to federal duty National Guards will function exactly like the regular Army.

In the event of war or other national emergency, the National Guard of California can be called into federal service and leave the state. When that happens, and may God forbid that it becomes necessary, we need an organized California National Guard Reserve. Already, the detailed plans have been prepared by Maj. Gen. Roderic L. Hill, N.G.U.S. (which means he is a National Guard officer authorized to command either regular Army or National Guard troops in time of war or other emergency). General Hill also has the titles of chief of staff to the governor of California, adjutant general of California, and member of the Governor's Council. He commands the California Army National Guard and the California Air National Guard.

WHEN HE was first appointed to these offices, I personally wrote to generals of the regular Army, generals of the U. S. Air Force, generals of the U. S. Marine Corps, admirals of the Navy and adjutant generals of Iowa and other middlewestern states, all of whom I know intimately. I am happy to report that they all wrote to me that General Hill is an outstanding officer and that they would be happy to serve with or under his command in time of war or other national emergency.

Right now the California National Guard needs recruits. It also needs young men qualified to serve as lieutenants and captains. If interested, write to General Hill, Military Department, State of California, 2520 Marconi Ave., Sacramento, and state your qualifications. Later, he will issue a call for volunteers for the National Guard Reserve.

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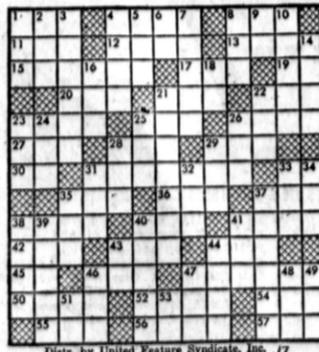
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- ACROSS
- 1-Evergreen tree
  - 4-Lampreys
  - 8-Obese mammal
  - 11-High card
  - 12-Go by water
  - 13-Two-toed sloth
  - 14-Past
  - 17-Ventilate
  - 19-World organization (Int.)
  - 20-Anger
  - 21-Summit
  - 22-Conjunction
  - 23-Reveal
  - 24-Label
  - 25-Singing voice
  - 27-Mature
  - 28-Fruit seed
  - 29-Employ
  - 30-Preposition
  - 31-Haies
  - 32-Symbol for calcium
  - 33-Ferid
  - 36-Born
  - 37-Farm animal
  - 38-Carmet
  - 40-Fruit drink
  - 41-Debat
  - 42-Snake
  - 43-Possessive pronoun
  - 44-Prohibit
  - 45-Greek letter
  - 46-Black
  - 47-Swifter
  - 50-Comfort
  - 52-Spare
  - 54-Fore
  - 55-Man's nickname
  - 56-Aliht
  - 57-Scold



- 16-Before
- 18-Frenon
- 21-Attache
- 22-Beverage
- 23-Flying
- 24-Time gone
- 25-River island
- 26-Beast of burden
- 28-Pondle
- 29-Southwestern Indian
- 31-Speck
- 32-Bishopric
- 33-Temporary
- 34-Reverence
- 35-Part of body
- 37-Cardboard box
- 38-Rational
- 39-Common-place
- 40-Coral island
- 41-Possesses
- 42-Prefix: not
- 44-Musical organization
- 46-Indefinite number
- 47-Cooling device
- 48-Girl's name
- 49-Tattered cloth
- 51-Compass point
- 53-Babylonian deity

- DOWN
- 1-Novity
  - 2-Frozen water
  - 3-Retreat
  - 4-Slave
  - 5-Dine
  - 6-Chinese meal
  - 7-Incline
  - 8-Animal coat
  - 9-Indefinite article
  - 10-Tease
  - 14-Unfasten

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